

THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA
SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE
ROAD SECTOR SUPPORT PROJECT 3
UPGRADING OF KAZO - KAMWENGE ROAD
INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION
CONTRACT NO. ADF/HW/C014B

1. This invitation for pre-qualification follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared in the United Nations Development Business dated 02 July 2009.
2. The Government of the Republic of Uganda has received a loan from the African Development Fund (ADF) hereinafter referred to as the Bank, towards the cost of the Road Sector Support Project 3 (RSSP3), and intends to apply part of the proceeds of the loan to eligible payments under the contract for which this Invitation for Prequalification is issued.
3. The Uganda National Roads Authority (UNRA), herein referred to as the "Employer", intends to pre-qualify firms for the following contract under this project:
Upgrading of Kazo - Kamwenge Road: Contract No. ADF/HW/C014B
4. The Kazo - Kamwenge road (75Km) traverses the districts of Kiruhura, Ibanda and Kamwenge, all located in the South Western part of Uganda. The project road is currently a gravel road of Class B standard and is to be upgraded to class II bitumen standard having a double bitumen surface treated carriageway of 6.0 m width and surfaced shoulders on either side. The road starts at Kazo, which is located approximately 280Km from Kampala along the Nyakahita – Ibanda road and traverses a rolling to hilly terrain.
5. Prequalification is open to firms and voluntarily formed joint ventures from eligible source countries, in accordance with the *Bank Rules and Procedures for Procurement of Goods and Works*.
6. Interested eligible Applicants may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the address below; from 09:00 hours to 17:00 hours on working days. Prequalification documents may be obtained after 15 October 2009 on submission of written application to the Employer at the following address:

**The Head,
Procurement and Disposal Unit,
Uganda National Roads Authority
Plot 11, Yusuf Lule Road,
P.O. Box 28487,
Tel:+ 256 (0) 312 233 100/ (0) 414 318 000**

Fax: + 256 414 232 807 /347 616
Kampala, UGANDA.
E-mail: procurement@unra.go.ug

7. The request must clearly state “**Request for Pre-qualification Documents for Upgrading of Kazo - Kamwenge Road – Contract No. ADF/HW/C014B**”.
8. A complete set of Prequalification documents in English may be purchased by interested Applicants on the submission of a written application to the above address and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of UShs 50,000 (Fifty thousand Uganda shillings) or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be cash or bank certified cheque or banker’s draft in favour of Uganda National Roads Authority. In case the applicant wishes to have the prequalification documents sent by courier or any other means, the charges should be prepaid to the nominated courier. The Uganda National Roads Authority (UNRA) will promptly dispatch the documents but under no circumstances will UNRA be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so dispatched.
9. A minimum requirement for qualification is to have successfully carried out the following:
 - a. average annual turnover as prime contractor (defined as billing for works in progress and completed) over the last 5 years of **US\$ 59,000,000 (United States dollars Fifty nine million)** or equivalent; and
 - b. Successful experience as prime contractor in the execution of at least two projects of a nature and complexity comparable to the proposed contract within the last five (5) years, each with a value of at least **US\$ 70,000,000 (United States Dollars Seventy million)**. A minimum construction experience for pre-qualification is required in the following key activities:
 - Earthworks of 860,000 m³/year
 - Rock fill of 13,000 m³/year
 - Rock Excavation of 24,000 m³/year
 - Natural gravel sub-base of 97,000 m³/year
 - Graded crushed stone base of 81,000 m³/year
 - Double Bitumen Surface Treatment of 375,000 m²/year
 - Concrete works of 15,000 m³/year
10. Submission of Applications for Prequalification must be received in sealed envelopes, either delivered by hand or by registered mail to:

**The Head,
Procurement and Disposal Unit,
Uganda National Roads Authority
Plot 11, Yusuf Lule Road, Kampala
First Floor, Room No 1/012.**

Not later than **16 November 2009 at 15.00** hours and be clearly marked “**Application to pre-qualify for Upgrading of Kazo – Kamwenge Road - Contract No. ADF/HW/C014B**”.

11. Late applications shall be rejected.

12. Applicants will be advised, within reasonable time, on the results of their applications.
Only firms and joint ventures pre-qualified under this procedure will be invited to bid.